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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 3, 2006, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the claims classified as Group I in the Office Action. Namely, Applicants elect Claims 1-20, 25-46 and 101, drawn to bioconjugates, a kit comprising the bioconjugates and therapeutic replacement fluids comprising the bioconjugates, classified in class 514, subclass 2.

Applicants hereby withdraw Claims 21-24, 47-100 from further consideration in this Office Action, but reserve the right to prosecute these claims in one or more divisional applications, which may be filed before the close of prosecution of the instant application.